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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated January 28, 2005. With the extension, a response is due on or before July 28, 2005. Thus, this response is timely filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge \$510.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5), to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 003352-0006. A duplicate copy of this Petition is transmitted herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 003352-0006. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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